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Re: Portland Harbor Superfund Site; Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study; Docket No. CERCLA-10-2001-0240.

Dear Messrs. Wyatt and McKenna:

This is in response to your letter dated January 11, 2008 regarding the revised proposal for 2008 calendar year funding for the RI/FS Trust Fund. The budget estimate for the 2008 calendar year totals \$3.6 million, which includes an estimated \$600,000 for producing the Remedial Investigation and Baseline Risk Assessment Reports.

The Lower Willamette Group (LWG) proposes to deposit an additional \$1.6 million into the Trust Fund by February 15, 2008. This amount and the proposed date are based on the anticipated carryover balance of \$2 million which the LWG estimates will be adequate to assure that there will be no gap in funding.

EPA hereby approves the 2008 funding proposal of \$3.6 million. This letter also confirms our January 14, 2008 approval via email of the proposal to deposit the additional \$1.6 million into the Trust Fund by February 15, 2008.

We appreciate your attention to these matters. If you have any questions, please contact Chip Humphrey at (503) 326-2678 or Eric Blischke (503) 326-4006. All legal inquiries should be directed to Lori Cora at (206) 553-1115.

Sincerely,

Chip Humphrey
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Remedial Project Managers